

200 "SQUATTERS" MAY LOSE HOMES ON GRAVESEND BAY

Domiciliary Rights of Alleged
Trespassers Depend on
a City Suit.

An appeal from the recent decision by Justice Callaghan in the Kings County Supreme Court, last week, giving title to twenty-five acres of filled-in land on Gravesend Bay, will be argued before Appellate Division in Brooklyn to-day, by Assistant Corporation Counsel Nehrling for the appellant City of New York, which disputes the right of title claimed by Mrs. Ellen Nevins, wife of former Fire Chief Nevins of the old Brooklyn City Fire Department. Mrs. Nevins sued Gustav Friedlander and the City of New York to compel the former to remove his bungalow from the vicinity of the water front of Gravesend Bay between 21st and 23d Streets, Coney Island, on the claim that Friedlander was a trespasser on her property. The city claims it is not Mrs. Nevins' property at all but the property of the municipality.

On this suit will depend the right of 200 families to remain on the filled-in property along the north shore of Coney Island, as Comptroller Craig contends that city owned lands have been sold and resold by persons who didn't own the property, and in this connection the permits issued to the "squatters" (for that is what Mr. Craig says they are) by Dock Commissioner Hulbert will be the subject of an inquiry.

The legal issues involved date back to Colonial days, when in 1686 there was decided to the old Town of Gravesend certain land grants in and around what is now called Gravesend Bay. In 1853 the residents of that township, by referendum at the polls, voted to sell the uplands only. John Tracy bought four of the upland lots, but through some discrepancy his deed conveyed to him the lands under water as well.

Tracy's holdings subsequently came into the hands of Mrs. Nevins by sale and transfer. In 1918 along came the United States Government, then engaged in war, and proceeded to dispose of an excess quantity of sand with which it filled in a part of Gravesend Bay from 29th to 36th Street, thus extending the upland area by about twenty-five acres.

Now comes Mr. Friedlander with his permit from the Dock Department to erect a bungalow on the filled-in shore front. Mrs. Nevins objected and sued to oust Friedlander. She claimed the filled-in ground was hers, because Tracy's deed from the old Town of Gravesend conveyed to him the lands under water. The City of New York contended the filled-in ground was the property of the city, as the voters of Gravesend specifically voted to sell the upland only and thus the land under water has remained city property since the consolidation in 1898.

Justice Callaghan has held that

Tracy's deed conveying to him the lands under water was illegal and that consequently Mrs. Nevins had no right, title or interest beyond the end of the map showing the uplands. But because the City of New York did not frustrate the United States Government from filling in the land and because it took no steps to protect the filling of the land, the city therefore permitted an invasion of Mrs. Nevins' riparian rights, Justice Callaghan says, and consequently she should not now be deprived of her right of access to the filled-in land bordering on her property. It is from this latter ruling the city is appealing.

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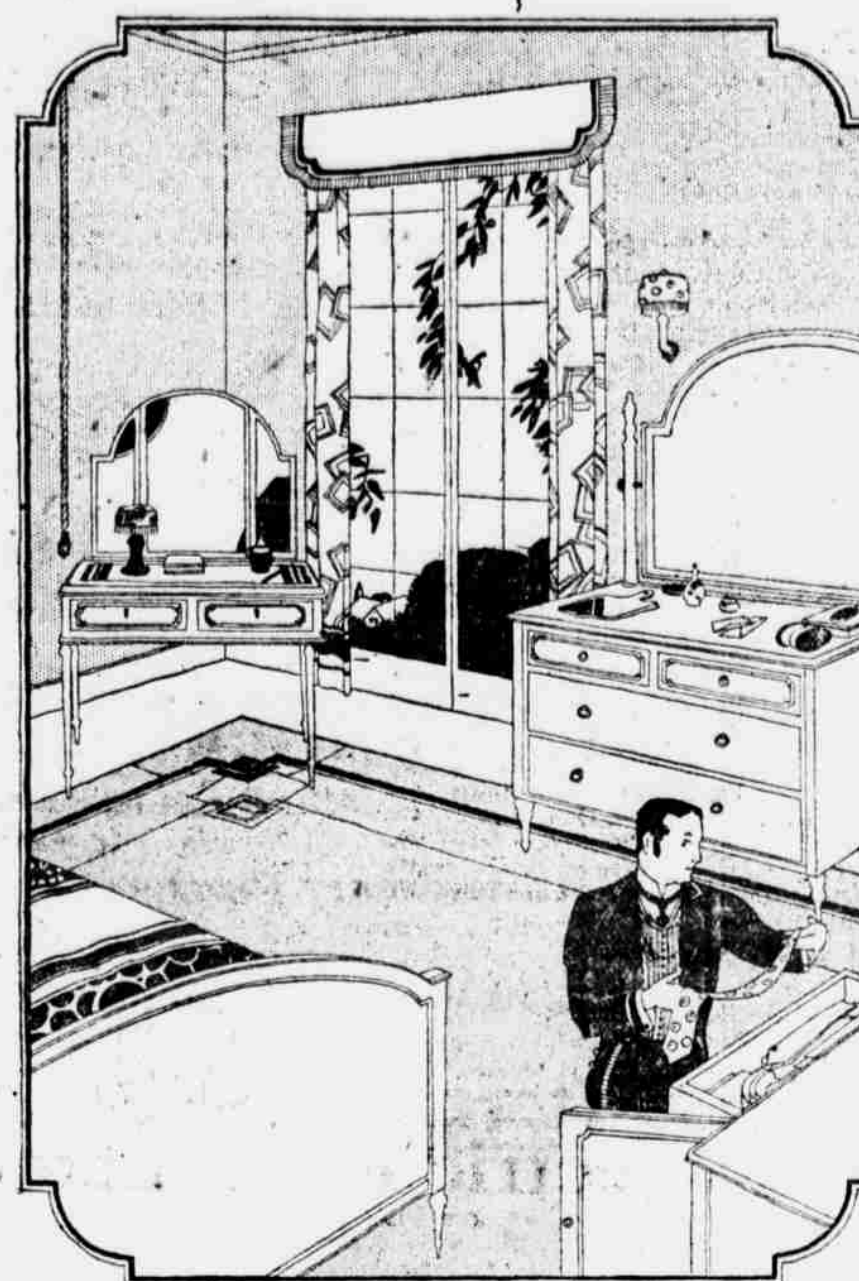


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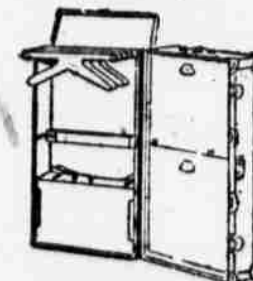
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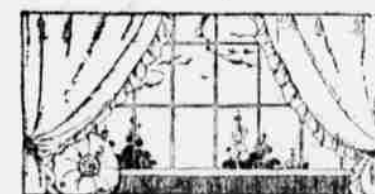


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